

South Dakota

CATTLE ON FEED

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CATTLE ON FEED INVENTORY DOWN FROM APRIL

SIOUX FALLS, May 19, 2000 -- South Dakota's 1,000+ capacity feedlots reported 180,000 **cattle on feed** for the slaughter market on May 1, according to the USDA's South Dakota Ag Statistics Service. The May 1 number is down 20,000 from a month earlier and unchanged from a year ago.

Placements during April totaled 16,000 head, down 18,000 head from March and down 15,000 head from last year.

Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 33,000 head, up 1,000 head from March and up 4,000 head from last year.

Other disappearance during April totaled 3,000 head, up 1,000 head from March but down 1,000 head from a year earlier.

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